

REMARKS

The Examiner's indication that claim 4 would be allowable if rewritten to overcome the objections and to include all limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims has been noted with appreciation. By the foregoing amendments, claims 2-4 have been incorporated into claim 1 so that claim 1, after amendment, corresponds to claim 4 before amendment if in independent form. In addition, the informalities noted by the Examiner in the section of the Office Action titled Claim Objections have been cured by adopting the suggestions made by the Examiner.

The multi-dependent form of claims 5-7 have been changed to conform with the United States practice.

As a result of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the claims are in condition to be allowed.

The error in the specification noted by the Examiner has been corrected as suggested. Withdrawal of the objection is respectfully requested.

It is respectfully submitted that the objection to the drawing should be withdrawn. Figure 4 in this application shows an arrangement containing 4 sets and Figures 2 and 3 show the substantial polygonal column shape. It is respectfully submitted that these figures, particularly in light of the description in the text, are sufficient to support the claims.

In light of all of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application

is now in condition to be allowed and the early issuance of a Notice of Allowance is respectfully solicited.

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